# BEFORE THE MISSOURI STATE BOARD OF EMBALMERS AND FUNERAL DIRECTORS

In the Matter of the Application of:

### **MATTHEW J. SEAGO**

## ORDER ISSUING A PROBATED FUNERAL DIRECTOR LICENSE

The Missouri State Board of Embalmers and Funeral Directors (the "Board") pursuant to Section 324.038, RSMo<sup>1</sup>, issues this order granting a **PROBATED FUNERAL DIRECTOR LICENSE** to Matthew James Seago ("Seago" or "Licensee"), 11800 E. 67<sup>th</sup> Street, Kansas City, Missouri 64133.

As set forth in Section 324.038, RSMo, Licensee may submit a written request for hearing to the Administrative Hearing Commission seeking review of the Board's decision set forth in this Order. Such written request must be filed with the Administrative Hearing Commission within 30 days of the date the Board mails this Order to Licensee. The written request should be addressed to the Administrative Hearing Commission, Room 640, Truman State Office Building, P.O. Box 1557, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102-1557. Any such request should set forth that the applicant is qualified for nonprobated licensure pursuant to the laws and administrative regulations relating to Licensee's profession. If such review is requested, a hearing shall be held pursuant to Chapter 621, RSMo. A Commissioner of the Administrative Hearing Commission will preside over the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> All statutory references are to the Revised Statutes of Missouri (2000), as supplemented, unless otherwise indicated.

hearing. The hearing will be on the record and recorded by a court reporter. At the hearing, Licensee shall have the right to present testimony, call witnesses on its behalf, introduce evidence, cross-examine any witnesses called by the Board, and object to any evidence introduced by the Board and make legal argument to the Commission. Following the hearing, the Administrative Hearing Commission will issue an order including findings of fact, conclusions of law and a decision based on the evidence admitted at the hearing. A copy of the Administrative Hearing Commission's order will be delivered to the parties. Chapter 536, RSMo, sets forth the procedures for review of the order of the Administrative Hearing Commission.

If no written request for review is filed with the Administrative Hearing Commission within the 30-day period, the right to seek review of the Board's decision shall be considered waived. Section 324.038.2, RSMo. Should Licensee make written request for review of this Order, the terms and conditions of this Order shall remain in full force and effect unless and until such time as the Administrative Hearing Commission or reviewing court orders otherwise.

## Relevant Statutes

- 1. Section 324.038, RSMo, authorizes the Board to issue a license subject to probation in lieu of denial and states:
  - 1. Whenever a board within or assigned to the division of professional registration, including the division itself when so

empowered, may refuse to issue a license for reasons which also serve as a basis for filing a complaint with the administrative hearing commission seeking disciplinary action against a holder of a license, the board, as an alternative to refusing to issue a license, may, at its discretion, issue to an applicant a license subject to probation.

- 2. The board shall notify the applicant in writing of the terms of the probation imposed, the basis therefor, and the date such action shall become effective. The notice shall also advise the applicant of the right to a hearing before the administrative hearing commission, if the applicant files a complaint with the administrative hearing commission within thirty days of the date of delivery or mailing by certified mail of written notice of the probation. If the board issues a probated license, the applicant may file, within thirty days of the date of delivery or mailing by certified mail of written notice of the probation, a written complaint with the administrative hearing commission seeking review of the board's determination. Such complaint shall set forth that the applicant or licensee is qualified for nonprobated licensure pursuant to the laws and administrative regulations relating to his or her profession. Upon receipt of such complaint the administrative hearing commission shall cause a copy of such complaint to be served upon the board by certified mail or by delivery of such copy to the office of the board, together with a notice of the place of and the date upon which the hearing on such complaint will be held. Hearings shall be held pursuant to chapter 621. The burden shall be on the board to demonstrate the existence of the basis for imposing probation on the licensee. If no written request for a hearing is received by the administrative hearing commission within the thirty-day period, the right to seek review of the board's decision shall be considered waived.
- 3. If the probation imposed includes restrictions or limitations on the scope of practice, the license issued shall plainly state such restriction or limitation. When such restriction or limitation is removed, a new license shall be issued.
- 2. Section 333.021.2, RSMo, requires a license to engage in the practice of funeral directing and states:

No person shall engage in the practice of funeral directing unless he has a license issued under this chapter.....

- 3. Sections 333.042.1 and .2, RSMo, sets forth the requirements for licensure as a funeral director and state:
  - 1. Every person desiring to enter the profession of funeral directing in this state shall make application with the state board of embalmers and funeral directors and pay the current application and examination fees. Except as otherwise provided in section 41.950, applicants not entitled to a license pursuant to section 333.051 shall serve an apprenticeship for at least twelve consecutive months in a funeral establishment licensed for the care and preparation for burial and transportation of the human dead in this state or in another state which has established standards for admission to practice funeral directing equal to, or more stringent than, the requirements for admission to practice funeral directing in this state. The applicant shall devote at least fifteen hours per week to his or her duties as an apprentice under the supervision of a Missouri licensed funeral director. Such applicant shall submit proof to the board, on forms provided by the board, that the applicant has arranged and conducted ten funeral services during the applicant's apprenticeship under the supervision of a Missouri licensed funeral director. Upon completion of the apprenticeship, the applicant shall appear before the board to be tested on the applicant's legal and practical knowledge of funeral directing, funeral home licensing, preneed funeral contracts and the care, custody, shelter, disposition and transportation of dead human bodies. Upon acceptance of the application and fees by the board, an applicant shall have twenty-four months to successfully complete the requirements for licensure found in this section or the application for licensure shall be cancelled.
  - 3. If an individual is a Missouri licensed embalmer or has completed a program accredited by the American Board of Funeral Service Education, any successor organization, or other accrediting entity as approved by the board or has successfully completed a course of study in funeral directing offered by an institution accredited by a recognized national, regional or state accrediting body and approved by the state board of embalmers and funeral directors, and desires to enter the profession of funeral directing in this state, the individual shall comply with all the requirements for licensure as a funeral director pursuant to subsection 1 of section 333.041 and subsection 1 of this section; however, the individual is exempt from the twelve-month apprenticeship required by subsection 1 of this section.

4. Section 333.051.1, RSMo, authorizes the issuance of a funeral director's license to any individual holding a valid, unrevoked and unexpired embalmer license and states:

Any individual holding a valid, unrevoked and unexpired license as a funeral director or embalmer in the state of his or her residence may be granted a license to practice funeral directing or embalming in this state on application to the board and on providing the board with such evidence as to his or her qualifications as is required by the board.

- 5. Section 333.330, RSMo, authorizes the Board to deny an application for a funeral director license and states, in relevant portion:
  - 1. The board may refuse to issue any certificate of registration or authority, permit, or license required under this chapter for one or any combination of causes stated in subsection 2 of this section. The board shall notify the applicant in writing of the reasons for the refusal and shall advise the applicant of his or her right to file a complaint with the administrative hearing commission as provided by chapter 621.
  - 2. The board may cause a complaint to be filed with the administrative hearing commission as provided by chapter 621 against any holder of any certificate of registration or authority, permit, or license required by this chapter, or any person who has failed to renew or has surrendered his or her certificate of registration or authority, permit, or license for any one or any combination of the following causes:

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(1) Use of any controlled substance, as defined in chapter 195, RSMo, or alcoholic beverage to an extent that such use impairs a person's ability to perform the work of any profession licensed or regulated by this chapter.

- (2) The person has been finally adjudicated and found guilty, or entered a plea of guilty or nolo contendere, in a criminal prosecution under the laws of any state or of the United States, for any offense reasonably related to the qualifications, functions, or duties of any profession licensed or regulated under this chapter, for any offense involving a controlled substance, or for any offense an essential element of which is fraud, dishonesty, or an act of violence;
- 6. When Seago was charged with violating K.S.A. Section 8-1522 in Kansas in 1998, the statute stated:

8-1522. Driving on roadways laned for traffic.

Whenever any roadway has been divided into two (2) or more clearly marked lanes for traffic, the following rules in addition to all others consistent herewith shall apply.

- (a) A vehicle shall be driven as nearly as practicable entirely within a single lane and shall not be moved from such lane until the driver has first ascertained that such movement can be made with safety.
- (b) Upon a roadway which is divided into three (3) lanes and provides for two-way movement of traffic, a vehicle shall not be driven in the center lane except when overtaking and passing another vehicle traveling in the same direction when such center lane is clear of traffic within a safe distance, or in preparation for making a left turn or where such center lane is at the time allocated exclusively to traffic moving in the same direction that the vehicle is proceeding and such allocation is designated by official traffic-control devices.
- (c) Official traffic-control devices may be erected directing specified traffic to use a designated lane or designating those lanes to be used by traffic moving in a particular direction regardless of the center of the roadway and drivers of vehicles shall obey the directions of every such device.
- (d) Official traffic-control devices may be installed prohibiting the changing of lanes on sections of roadway and drivers of vehicles shall obey the directions of every such device.

- 7. In 1998 when Seago was charged with driving under the influence in Kansas, K.S.A. Section 8-1567 stated:
  - 8-1567. Driving under influence of alcohol or drugs; blood alcohol concentration; penalties.
  - (a) No person shall operate or attempt to operate any vehicle within this state while:
  - (1) The alcohol concentration in the person's blood or breath as shown by any competent evidence, including other competent evidence, as defined in paragraph (1) of subsection (f) of <u>K.S.A. 8-1013</u>, and amendments thereto, is .08 or more;
  - (2) the alcohol concentration in the person's blood or breath, as measured within two hours of the time of operating or attempting to operate a vehicle, is .08 or more;
  - (3) under the influence of alcohol to a degree that renders the person incapable of safely driving a vehicle;
  - (4) under the influence of any drug or combination of drugs to a degree that renders the person incapable of safely driving a vehicle; or
  - (5) under the influence of a combination of alcohol and any drug or drugs to a degree that renders the person incapable of safely driving a vehicle.
  - (b) No person shall operate or attempt to operate any vehicle within this state if the person is a habitual user of any narcotic, hypnotic, somnifacient or stimulating drug.
  - (c) If a person is charged with a violation of this section involving drugs, the fact that the person is or has been entitled to use the drug under the laws of this state shall not constitute a defense against the charge.
  - (d) Upon a first conviction of a violation of this section, a person shall be guilty of a class B, nonperson misdemeanor and sentenced to not less than 48 consecutive hours nor more than six months' imprisonment, or in the court's discretion 100 hours of public

service, and fined not less than \$200 nor more than \$500. The person convicted must serve at least 48 consecutive hours' imprisonment or 100 hours of public service either before or as a condition of any grant of probation or suspension, reduction of sentence or parole. In addition, the court shall enter an order which requires that the person enroll in and successfully complete an alcohol and drug safety action education program or treatment program as provided in K.S.A. 8-1008, and amendments thereto, or both the education and treatment programs.

- (e) On a second conviction of a violation of this section, a person shall be guilty of a class A, nonperson misdemeanor and sentenced to not less than 90 days nor more than one year's imprisonment and fined not less than \$500 nor more than \$1,000. The five days' imprisonment mandated by this subsection may be served in a work release program only after such person has served 48 consecutive hours' imprisonment, provided such work release program requires such person to return to confinement at the end of each day in the work release program. Except as provided in subsection (g), the person convicted must serve at least five consecutive days' imprisonment before the person is granted probation, suspension or reduction of sentence or parole or is otherwise released. As a condition of any grant of probation, suspension of sentence or parole or of any other release, the person shall be required to enter into and complete a treatment program for alcohol and drug abuse as provided in K.S.A. 8-1008, and amendments thereto.
- (f) On the third or a subsequent conviction of a violation of this section, a person shall be guilty of a nonperson felony and sentenced to not less than 90 days nor more than one year's imprisonment and fined not less than \$1,000 nor more than \$2,500. Except as provided in subsection (g), the person convicted shall not be eligible for release on probation, suspension or reduction of sentence or parole until the person has served at least 90 days' imprisonment. The court may also require as a condition of parole that such person enter into and complete a treatment program for alcohol and drug abuse as provided by K.S.A. 8-1008, and amendments thereto. The 90 days' imprisonment mandated by this subsection may be served in a work release program only after such person has served 48 consecutive hours' imprisonment, provided such work release program requires such person to return to confinement at the end of each day in the work release program.

- (g) On a second or subsequent conviction of a violation of this section, the court may place the person convicted under a house arrest program, pursuant to K.S.A. 21-4603b, and amendments thereto, to serve the remainder of the minimum sentence only after such person has served 48 consecutive hours' imprisonment.
- (h) The court may establish the terms and time for payment of any fines, fees, assessments and costs imposed pursuant to this section. Any assessment and costs shall be required to be paid not later than 90 days after imposed, and any remainder of the fine shall be paid prior to the final release of the defendant by the court.
- (i) In lieu of payment of a fine imposed pursuant to this section, the court may order that the person perform community service specified by the court. The person shall receive a credit on the fine imposed in an amount equal to \$5 for each full hour spent by the person in the specified community service. The community service ordered by the court shall be required to be performed not later than one year after the fine is imposed or by an earlier date specified by the court. If by the required date the person performs an insufficient amount of community service to reduce to zero the portion of the fine required to be paid by the person, the remaining balance of the fine shall become due on that date.
- (j) The court shall report every conviction of a violation of this section and every diversion agreement entered into in lieu of further criminal proceedings or a complaint alleging a violation of this section to the division. Prior to sentencing under the provisions of this section, the court shall request and shall receive from the division a record of all prior convictions obtained against such person for any violations of any of the motor vehicle laws of this state.
- (k) For the purpose of determining whether a conviction is a first, second, third or subsequent conviction in sentencing under this section:
- (1) "Conviction" includes being convicted of a violation of this section or entering into a diversion agreement in lieu of further criminal proceedings on a complaint alleging a violation of this section;

- (2) "conviction" includes being convicted of a violation of a law of another state or an ordinance of any city, or resolution of any county, which prohibits the acts that this section prohibits or entering into a diversion agreement in lieu of further criminal proceedings in a case alleging a violation of such law, ordinance or resolution;
- (3) only convictions occurring in the immediately preceding five years, including prior to the effective date of this act, shall be taken into account, but the court may consider other prior convictions in determining the sentence to be imposed within the limits provided for a first, second, third or subsequent offender, whichever is applicable; and
- (4) it is irrelevant whether an offense occurred before or after conviction for a previous offense.
- (l) Upon conviction of a person of a violation of this section or a violation of a city ordinance or county resolution prohibiting the acts prohibited by this section, the division, upon receiving a report of conviction, shall suspend, restrict or suspend and restrict the person's driving privileges as provided by <u>K.S.A. 8-1014</u>, and amendments thereto.
- (m) Nothing contained in this section shall be construed as preventing any city from enacting ordinances, or any county from adopting resolutions, declaring acts prohibited or made unlawful by this act as unlawful or prohibited in such city or county and prescribing penalties for violation thereof, but the minimum penalty prescribed by any such ordinance or resolution shall not be less than the minimum penalty prescribed by this act for the same violation, and the maximum penalty in any such ordinance or resolution shall not exceed the maximum penalty prescribed for the same violation. In addition, any such ordinance or resolution shall authorize the court to order that the convicted person pay restitution to any victim who suffered loss due to the violation for which the person was convicted.
- (n) No plea bargaining agreement shall be entered into nor shall any judge approve a plea bargaining agreement entered into for the purpose of permitting a person charged with a violation of this section, or a violation of any ordinance of a city or resolution of any county in this state which prohibits the acts prohibited by this section, to avoid the mandatory penalties established by this section

or by the ordinance. For the purpose of this subsection, entering into a diversion agreement pursuant to <u>K.S.A. 12-4413</u> et seq. or 22-2906 et seq., and amendments thereto, shall not constitute plea bargaining.

- (o) The alternatives set out in subsections (a)(1) (2) and (3) may be pleaded in the alternative, and the state, city or county, but shall not be required to, may elect one or two of the three prior to submission of the case to the fact finder.
- (p) Upon a fourth or subsequent conviction, the judge of any court in which any person is convicted of violating this section, may revoke the person's license plate or temporary registration certificate of the motor vehicle driven during the violation of this section for a period of one year. Upon revoking any license plate or temporary registration certificate pursuant to this subsection, the court shall require that such license plate or temporary registration certificate be surrendered to the court.
- (q) For the purpose of this section: (1) "Alcohol concentration" means the number of grams of alcohol per 100 milliliters of blood or per 210 liters of breath.
- (2) "Imprisonment" shall include any restrained environment in which the court and law enforcement agency intend to retain custody and control of a defendant and such environment has been approved by the board of county commissioners or the governing body of a city.
- 8. When Seago pled guilty in 2004 to domestic assault in the first degree, Section 565.072, RSMo, stated:
  - 1. A person commits the crime of domestic assault in the first degree if he or she attempts to kill or knowingly causes or attempts to cause serious physical injury to a family or household member or an adult who is or has been in a continuing social relationship of a romantic or intimate nature with the actor, as defined in section 455.010, RSMo.
  - 2. Domestic assault in the first degree is a class B felony unless in the course thereof the actor inflicts serious physical injury on the victim in which case it is a class A felony.

## Parties and Background

- 9. The Board is an agency of the State of Missouri created and established pursuant to Section 333.151, RSMo, and vested with the authority to execute and enforcing the provisions of Chapter 333 and portions of Chapter 436, RSMo.
- 10. Matthew James Seago is an individual residing at 11800 E. 67<sup>th</sup> Street, Kansas City, Missouri 64133.
- 11. Seago holds Missouri embalmer license number 2012028648 issued by the Board on August 15, 2012 per its "Order Issuing a Probated Embalmer's License".
  - 12. Seago's embalmer license is valid, unrevoked and unexpired.
- 13. The Board issued Seago's embalmer license on probation, subject to specified terms and conditions, until July 14, 2016.
- 14. Seago submitted his "Application for Funeral Director's License" to the Board that he signed before a notary public on November 12, 2012 (the "Application").
- 15. Seago graduated, cum laude, from Kansas City Kansas Community College with an Associate in Applied Science degree conferred on May 21, 2010.
- 16. Seago graduated from Metropolitan Community College with the degree of Associate in Engineering in May, 2009.

- 17. In March, 2008, Seago was inducted into the International Honor Society of Phi Theta Kappa.
  - 18. Seago is over the age of 18 years.
  - 19. Seago has met the statutory requirements for licensure.

## **Basis for Probation**

## Disclosures by Applicant

20. On his Application, Seago answered "yes" to questions that stated:

Have you ever been finally adjudicated and found guilty, or entered a plea of guilty or nolo contendere, in a criminal prosecution under the laws of any state or of the United States whether or not sentence was imposed (includes suspended imposition of sentence (SIS)).

Have you ever been arrested, charged with or found guilty, or entered a plea of guilty or nolo contendere of a violation of any federal, state or municipal, drug or alcohol laws or rules whether or not sentence was imposed (includes suspended imposition of sentence (SIS)).

Have you ever been addicted to or used in excess, alcohol or any prescription drugs or illegal chemical substances?

Have you ever been arrested, charged with, found guilty, or entered a plea of guilty or nolo contendere by a court (including a municipal court), pled guilty or nolo contendere to any traffif offesnse resulting from or related to the use of drugs or alcohol, whether sentence was imposed, including a suspended imposition of sentence (SIS?

21. Along with his Application, Seago provided an explanatory letter in which he explained the charges filed against him and his subsequent conduct.

#### Criminal Convictions

Kansas DUI

- 22. In August, 1998, Seago was arrested and subsequently charged with Improper Driving on a Laned Road in violation of K.S.A. Section 8-1522 and Driving Under the Influence in violation of K.S.A. Section 8-1567. *State of Kansas v. Seago*, Case number 98TR00370.
- 23. In November, 1998, the Court granted Seago a diversion and in December 28, 1999, upon successful completion of the terms of diversion, the charges were dismissed. *State of Kansas v. Seago*, Case number 98TR00370.

## Missouri Felony Domestic Assault

- 24. On July 7, 2003, Seago was arrested and subsequently charged with Domestic Assault First Degree, a class B felony, Domestic Assault Second Degree, a class C felony and Domestic Assault Second Degree, a class C felony. State of Missouri v. Seago, Jackson County, Case number CR 2003-03604.
- 25. On January 16, 2004, an Amended Information was filed charging Seago with one count of Domestic Assault in the First Degree per Section 565.072, RSMo, a class B felony. *State of Missouri v. Seago*, Jackson County, Case number CR 2003-03604.
- 26. On March 19, 2004, the Court entered judgment in which Seago pled guilty to 1 count of Domestic Assault in the First Degree, a class B felony per Section 565.072, RSMo, and sentenced Seago to 6 years incarceration. Seago completed his sentence and was granted complete release on July 6, 2009. *State of Missouri v. Seago*, Jackson County, Case number CR 2003-03604.

## Evidence of Rehabilitation

- 27. While he was incarcerated, Seago completed the Missouri Department of Corrections Long-Term Substance Abuse Treatment Program.
- 28. Seago admitted to the Board that he abused alcohol for a period of 10 years.
- 29. Seago reported to the Board that he has been clean and sober for almost 10 years and that he began this period of sobriety while serving his sentence of 6 years incarceration.
- 30. Seago reports to the Board that he continues to actively participate in Alcoholics Anonymous.
- 31. Seago reported to the Board that during the time he abused alcohol he was charged with various crimes including driving under the influence, property damage and domestic assault.

## Cause to Deny

- 32. The Board has cause to deny Seago's application for a funeral director license pursuant to Section 333.330.2 (1) and (2), RSMo.
- 33. The Board finds that issuance of a probated funeral director license, subject to certain terms and conditions, in lieu of denial, will ensure protection of the public.

# **Issuance of Probated License Subject to Terms and Conditions**

The Board, in lieu of denial, hereby issues a funeral director's license to Matthew James Seago, on **PROBATION** beginning on the effective date of this

Order and running concurrently with the probation ordered on Seago's embalmer license currently set to end on July 14, 2016 (the "Disciplinary Period") subject to the terms and conditions contained in this Order and set forth below.

## Terms and Conditions of Probation

- 34. Licensee shall comply with the following terms and conditions of probation during the Disciplinary Period:
  - a. Licensee shall keep the Board informed of Licensee's current work and home telephone numbers and addresses. Licensee shall notify the Board in writing within ten (10) business days of any change in this information. If Licensee utilizes e-mail, Licensee shall provide the Board with his current and active e-mail address;
  - b. Licensee shall comply with all applicable provisions of Chapters 194, 333 and 436, RSMo, all Board regulations and all federal, state and local laws and regulations related to business operations in the funeral and death care industry;
  - c. Licensee shall engage in no conduct that would give the Board cause to seek authority to discipline from the Administrative Hearing Commission as set forth in Section 333.330, RSMo;
  - d. Licensee shall meet in person with the Board or any Board representative at any such time and place as required by the Board or its representative upon reasonable notice. Any such meetings shall be at the Board's discretion;

- e. Upon the request by the Board or its representative, Licensee shall immediately submit any and all records requested to show compliance with these terms and conditions;
- f. Licensee shall renew timely all licenses and/or registrations, shall pay timely all fees required for licensure/registration and shall meet all other requirements necessary to maintain all licenses and registrations issued by the Board current and active;
- g. Licensee shall accept and cooperate with unannounced visits from the Board, or its representatives, to monitor compliance with the terms and conditions of probation; and
- h. Licensee shall not serve as the supervisor of any funeral director apprentice or embalmer practicum student or embalmer apprentice without the express written consent of the Board. If Licensee seeks to supervise an apprentice, Licensee shall submit a written request to the Board that includes the name and address of the potential apprentice and a description of Licensee's ability to properly supervise an apprentice. No such apprenticeship shall commence until the Board has given its consent for Licensee to supervise the apprentice;
- Licensee shall not operate a motor vehicle in the conduct of any business of funeral directing unless Licensee holds proper licensure issued by the State to operate a motor vehicle;

- j. Licensee shall comply with all terms and conditions of the "Order Issuing a Probated Embalmer License" to Seago issued by the Board on August 15, 2012; and,
- k. Licensee shall provide a copy of this Order to any employer engaged in the funeral industry within 5 business days of the commencement of his employment or within 5 days of Licensee's receipt of this Order.
- 35. Upon the expiration of the Disciplinary Period and successful completion of the probation, Licensee's funeral director license shall be fully restored if all other requirements of the law have been satisfied; provided however, that in the event the Board determines that Licensee has violated any term or condition of this Order, the Board may, in its discretion, after an evidentiary hearing, vacate and set aside the discipline imposed herein and may impose additional probation, suspend, revoke, or otherwise lawfully discipline Licensee's funeral director's license.
- 36. The Board shall enter no order imposing further discipline on Licensee's funeral director's license without notice and an opportunity for hearing before the Board in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 536, RSMo.
- 37. If the Board determines that Licensee has violated a term or condition of this Order, and that violation would also be actionable in a proceeding before the Administrative Hearing Commission or in a circuit court, the Board

may elect to pursue any lawful remedies or procedures afforded to it and is not

bound by this Order in its determination of appropriate legal actions concerning

such violation(s).

38. If any alleged violation of this Order occurs during the Disciplinary

Period, the Board may choose to conduct a hearing on the alleged violation either

during the Disciplinary Period, or as soon thereafter as a hearing can be held, to

determine whether a violation of the terms and conditions of probation occurred

and, if so, may impose further discipline on Licensee's funeral director's license.

The Board has continuing jurisdiction to hold a hearing determine if a violation of

the terms and conditions of probation occurred.

39. This Order of the Board shall be maintained as an open and public

record of the Board as provided in Chapters 333, 610 and 324, RSMo.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: 1-9-2013

Sandy Sebastian
Executive Director

State Board of Embalmers and Funeral Directors